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NEWS IN BRIEF

Compiled from Various Sources. CONGRESSIONAL PROCEEDINGS. The Senate was not in session on the 23d. In the House the resolution calling for information relating to the Venezuela treaty was adopted. A message from the President recommended the appropriation of \$200,000 to pay French claims.

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At the Mississippi Republican State Convention the National delegates were instructed to put their votes where they will do the most good. VERY great satisfaction is expressed in many circles at the ordering of a court-martial in the Swain-Batem case.

SOUTHERN GLEANINGS.

The business quarter of Monroe, La., has been entirely destroyed by fire. A sign-board, marked "Six miles to Montgomery, Ala.," was found in the mountains after the recent tornado, 250 miles from Montgomery.

A NEW APPLICATION.

An American invention whereby a Pony Navy may Operate Successfully with the Most Precipitous Dynamite Bombs Fired from a "Cannon-Good Bye Iron-Clads." NEW YORK, April 23.

THE GREELY RELIEF EXPEDITION.

Arrival of the Alert in New York After a Stormy Passage—"The Strongest Ship Afloat"—"Carlo Bianche Orders to Commence Discharge of the Stores of the Bear for the Arctic Seas." NEW YORK, April 23.

JOHN LANCASTER, fellow of the Royal Geographical Society, is dead. It was Mr. Lancaster who brought his yacht under fire during the famous action between the Kearsarge and Albatross at Courbeur in 1864.

A VIOLANT watch for filibusters is being maintained at all Gulf ports.

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